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Fwd: Water testing at Plessy?

Bruce Reilly

Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 5:14 PM

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From: Meghan Raychaudhuri <meghan@plessyschool.org>

Date: Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 1:24 PM Subject: Re: Water testing at Plessy?

To: Bruce Reilly

Hi Bruce,

I wanted to follow up on our initial conversation. It turns out that one of our 7th grade students is doing an investigative journalism project on lead in drinking water and used an at home test to test the lead levels in our water this afternoon. I am sending home a letter about the results today, but since you also emailed about it, I wanted to reach out to you directly. The results came back indicating a presence of lead and/or pesticides and recommended additional testing.

While the at home test used does not meet scientific standards and does not scientifically prove the presence of lead, we believe it important to take such possibility seriously. I spoke with Orleans Parish School Board once we received the home test results and they will install water filters at Plessy on Monday morning.

In the meantime, Plessy will provide students with bottled drinking water. Thank you for reaching out about this and I will continue to provide updates as necessary.

Best,

Meghan

On Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 11:13 AM Meghan Raychaudhuri meghan@plessyschool.org wrote:

Orleans Parish School Board has declined to do lead testing in school buildings. However, they are installing filters in all schools. I reached out the them yesterday for an update and they said we can expect our filters this summer or early fall. If you have any additional questions I would recommend reaching out to them directly. You can reach their facilities person, Tiffany Delcour at tiffany.delcour@opsb.us.

Thanks!

Meghan

On Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 11:07 AM Bruce Reilly wrote:

Hi Meghan,

I've been trying to find the status of Plessy's water testing, lead etc. could you please enlighten me?

Thanks Bruce

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